GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Revenue Department – Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, formerly Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (M), Visakhapatnam District & now working as OSD to Advisor to Chief Minister and Vice Chairman, Navaratnalu – Disciplinary proceedings initiated under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Articles of charge framed – Written Statement of Defence received — Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE – I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No.641

Dated: 07-10-2021
Read the following:-

1. From the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P.,Ref. No.VSI (1)/544/2017, Dt:19.12.2017.
2. G.O.Rt. No.922, Revenue (Vigilance-I) Dept., dt:03.07.2018.
3. G.O.Rt.No.925, Revenue (Vigilance-I) Dept., dt:03.07.2018.
4. From Smt. K. Sumati Bai, the then Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam & presently Spl. Dy.Collector, Collectorate, Visakhapatnam, Written Statement of Defence, dt.22.11.2018.
5. Govt.Memo.No.16021/19/2018, Revenue(Vigilance-I) Dept., dt:25.09.2019.
6. From the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Lr.No.VS I(1)/544/2017, dt: 06.07.2021

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ORDER

In the G.O. 2nd read above read with G.O. 3rd read above, disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, formerly Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (M), Visakhapatnam District & now working as OSD to Advisor to Chief Minister and Vice chairman, Navaratnalu, under rule – 20 read with rule - 24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991, by framing of Articles of charge, for her failure to file appeal against the Decree and Judgment of the Hon'ble 1st Addl. Sr. Civil Judge in O.S.No.452/94, dt.18-12-1998, which was delivered in favour of Plaintiffs and against the Govt., pertaining to Govt. lands of Bheemunipatnam.

2. In reply, the Charged Officer has submitted her Written Statement of Defence vide her representation 3rd read above stating that the said suit was decreed on 18.12.1998 in favour of the plaintiffs much earlier i.e. 6 years prior to her joining as Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam; that her predecessors have addressed the then Government Pleaders, Visakhapatnam in the years 2003 & 2004 for legal opinion and both of them have opined that there are no grounds to prefer appeal; that the then Government Pleader for Appeals, High Court of A.P., Hyderabad has stated that the value of the appeal is Rs.1,36,650/- and as such no appeal lies before the Hon`ble High Court and to contact the Govt. Pleader for District Collector, VSP and; that all these sequences occurred during the years 2003 & 2004 i.e., before her joining as Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam. She has further stated that she has kept the above lands under Prohibited List under Sec. 22-A of Registration Act in Government land register to safeguard the illegal transactions; that she is not at all responsible for the failure in proper defend of the case and therefore requested to drop the charge framed against her.

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3. In the letter 5th cited, the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., while offering his specific remarks on the above said Written Statement of Defence submitted by the Charged officer, has stated that the Charged officer, has addressed a letter to the Collector, Visakhapatnam; that later she was transferred and relieved from the post of Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam on 27.06.2006; that after her transfer, the Advocate General in his letter No.997/Opinion No.73/2007, dt: 26.11.2007 opined that it is a fit case for filing of appeal.

4. Government, after careful examination of the Written Statement of Defence submitted by the Charged Officer Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, formerly Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (M), Visakhapatnam District & now working as OSD to Advisor to Chief Minister and Vice chairman , Navaratnalu, keeping in view the specific remarks offered by the Chief Commissioner and Land Administration, A.P., have decided to drop further action against her in this matter.

5. Accordingly, Government hereby drop further action against Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, formerly Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (M), Visakhapatnam District & now working as OSD to Advisor to Chief Minister and Vice chairman, Navaratnalu, in this matter.

6. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Vijayawada shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

V.USHARANI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, formerly Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (M), Visakhapatnam District & now working as OSD to the advisor to Chief Minister and Vice Chairman, Navaratnalu (Through Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada).
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
Copy to :
The District Collector, Visakhapatnam.
The Accountant General (A&E), Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER